

The Examiner also rejected claims 1-3, 6, 7, 10 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yokoyama et al; rejected claims 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yokoyama et al; and objected to claims 8, 9, 12 and 13 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Reconsideration of claims 1-7, 10 and 11 over Yokoyama et al is requested.

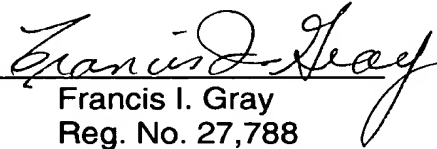
In contradistinction to Applicant's claimed invention Yokoyama et al disclose in Fig. 3 a television signal level meter that provides a conventional bar graph display **90** for multiple channels within a television frequency band. Each bar or level image **97** represents a signal level for the associated channel. Applicant respectfully submits that Yokoyama et al do not teach or suggest a status ribbon display, i.e., in common usage "a long narrow strip", as described in Applicant's specification. The region **92** of Yokoyama et al is not equivalent and does not suggest the status ribbon recited by Applicant in claim 1. Further the image levels of Yokoyama et al are not equivalent and do not suggest the stripes, i.e., in common usage "adjacent lines or narrow strips", recited by Applicant in claim 1. Therefore Yokoyama et al neither teach nor suggest the "status ribbon having a plurality of stripes" as recited by Applicant, and claim 1 and all claims dependent therefrom are deemed to be allowable as being neither anticipated nor rendered obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art by Yokoyama et al.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks allowance of claims 1-8 and 10-13 is urged, and such action and the issuance of this case are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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